Basic amenities for regularised colonies

405. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government propose to regularize 1500 unauthorised colonies in Delhi and New Delhi;

(b) if so, how the Central Government propose to provide water, sanitation and sewage, etc. to these unauthorised colonies, if they are regularized; and

(c) the amount of money that is estimated to be required for providing basic amenities to these colonies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) The Union Government on 8.2.2007 has approved a proposal regarding revision in the guidelines for regularization of unauthorized colonies in Delhi.

(b) and (c) The Government of NCT of Delhi has reported that a time bound programme for providing necessary basic facilities in the unauthorized colonies would be prepared on the receipt of the policy guidelines for regularization of unauthorized colonies from Government of India. It is not possible to estimate the amount of money for provision of basic amenities in the unauthorized colonies at this juncture.

Increase in passengers in Delhi Metro Rail

†406. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of passengers travelling in Delhi Metro Rail has increased tremendously;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Delhi Metro Rail Corporation propose to increase night and morning services keeping in view the increase in number of passengers;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.